(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to revive the subsidy scheme for ship building industry for its promotion; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Shipbuilding Subsidy Scheme extended on 25th October, 2002 by the Government to all the shipyards, including private sector shipyards, expired on 14th August, 2007. A proposal for Liquidation of Committed Liability for payment of subsidy for ongoing shipbuilding contracts entered upto 14th August, 2007, the date of expiry of the subsidy scheme is under consideration.

(c) and (d) A proposal for revival of the shipbuilding subsidy scheme as per the terms to be decided by the competent authority is under consideration.

Elevated road on NH-9

1973. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the latest status of the proposal of the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, sent to his Ministry, for constructing a elevated 36 K.M. long four-lane road from BHEL, Ramachandrapuram to Hayathnagar on NH-9 which is urgently required to be sanctioned in view of heavy traffic and clogging of the road;

(b) the reasons for delay in sanctioning the proposal; and

(c) by when this four-lane road is likely to be constructed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, such proposal has been received in the Ministry.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Safety of pedestrians from road accidents

1974. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 90 per cent of pedestrians feel unsafe while crossing roads as per a survey conducted by Central Road Research Institute (CRRI) and nearly 280 people die in road accidents every day in our country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the road safety measures taken by Government to control the accidents;

(c) whether Government has any proposal to have a national policy on road safety so that campaigns can be formulated and carried out in a sustained manner; and